

March 1, 2016

To all members of the Public Safety Committee:

I STRONGLY OPPOSE H.B. Number 5408 - AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRESENTATION OF A CARRY PERMIT.

I respectfully submit the following testimony.

As the brother of a retired municipal Police Officer and the brother-in-law of a retired Federal Police Officer, I FULLY SUPPORT all Law Enforcement Officers.

However, I do hold sacred my U.S. Constitution Fourth Amendment right that *prohibits unreasonable searches and seizures* and requires any warrant to be judicially sanctioned and supported by *probable cause*.

I am a hard working, law abiding citizen of this state who

- Served my country as an officer in the US Navy for over 21 years
- Retired with the rank of Commander, a Senior Naval Officer position
- Volunteers a Commissioner for the New Britain Veteran's Commission
- Supported numerous Youth Programs while raising my family such as:
 - Little League coach for 5 years
 - Cub Scout Den Leader for 5 years
 - Religious Education Teacher for 2 years
- Volunteers frequently at various not profit organizations as needed

I have served my country and community with honor and I have medals and citations to prove my claim. I oppose the whole idea that a person like me who minds his own business would have to be subjected to the un-Constitutional search and seizure as proposed by this bill just because I happen to have CT State Permit to Carry Pistols and Revolvers.

I urge you all to please consider the adverse affects of this bill against law abiding people like myself by persons with an agenda against law abiding gun owners and people who support the 2nd Amendment.

Thank you,

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